

## 2019 Arts in Parks Event Information

### Events

#### **SANCA Circus Party in the Park**

**May 15, Wednesday, 5–8 p.m.**

##### **Georgetown Playfield**

Teens from the SANCA Social Circus program will celebrate the culmination of their session by hosting a community circus party. Guests will enjoy performances by the teens and other artists, play carnival-style circus games, and work with SANCA coaches to cross the tightwire. This event is open to all ages to try circus arts in the park.

[sancaseattle.org](http://sancaseattle.org)

Contact: Manjit Golden, [outreach@sancaseattle.org](mailto:outreach@sancaseattle.org)

#### **Soap Stone Carving for Youth**

**May 18 and 19, Saturday and Sunday, 10–11:30 a.m. and 1–2:30 p.m.**

##### **Kubota Garden Terrace Overlook**

Instructors from the Northwest Stone Sculptors Association will use soapstone carving kits to teach children ages 8-18 how to carve small animal shapes. The purpose is to give children the experience of stone carving on a small scale and engender an appreciation for the many stone features in the garden. Please pre-register at <https://kgfstonecarv.bpt.me>.

Contact: Ellen Phillips-Angeles, [info@kubotagarden.org](mailto:info@kubotagarden.org)

#### **Eritrea's Independence Day Celebration**

**May 25, Saturday, noon–8 p.m.**

##### **Seward Park Amphitheater**

Eritrea's Independence Day is a point of pride in Eritrean culture, resonating across generations. Second and third generation American children of Eritrean descent are inspired to embrace and share their culture with their communities in the United States through dance, poetry, and other artistic expressions. Friends of the Eritrean community are invited to celebrate with us.

[eritreanassociation.org](http://eritreanassociation.org)

Contact: Isaac Araya, [iaaraya@yahoo.com](mailto:iaaraya@yahoo.com)

#### **Joe Brazil Legacy: Black Music History Month Celebration 2019**

**June 22, Saturday, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.**

##### **Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Park**

June is National Black Music History Month. Through the medium of music and the arts, Joe Brazil Legacy will entertain and edify the community about Seattle's Black community leader and world-renowned musician Joe Brazil. The musicians, many of his former students from the University of Washington and the Black Academy of Music, will celebrate, share, and honor the legacy with music, dancing, and entertainment.

[facebook.com/events/827919004214063](https://facebook.com/events/827919004214063)

Contact: Tana Yasu, [joebrazillegacy@gmail.com](mailto:joebrazillegacy@gmail.com)

#### **African Arts Alliance: Arts Resource Fair**

**June 30, Sunday, 8 a.m.–8 p.m.**

##### **Othello Playground**

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Join us for a day of networking and sharing resources with 30 local agencies, businesses, and artists. This event will feature live performances from East, West, and South Africa, along with DJs, visual and literary artists, and food trucks. In the evening, stop by for hip-hop and drum classes.

[kouyatearts.com](http://kouyatearts.com)

Contact: Afua Kouyate, [afua@kouyatearts.com](mailto:afua@kouyatearts.com)

### **Guelaguetza 2019**

**June 30, Sunday, noon–4 p.m.**

#### **Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Park**

Come join the Grupo Cultural Oaxaqueño and La Banda Gozona for the Guelaguetza 2019, a celebration of Oaxacan culture, history, music and dances of all the regions of Oaxaca, Mexico. The event will be held in Spanish and English. This family-friendly event will make attendees feel as if they have been transported to Oaxaca.

[facebook.com/guelaguetzaenseattle](https://facebook.com/guelaguetzaenseattle)

Contact: Magali Sanchez, [gco.seattle@gmail.com](mailto:gco.seattle@gmail.com)

### **Cinema Under the Stars**

**July 20, Saturday, 7–10 p.m.**

#### **Columbia Park**

Cinema Under the Stars kicks off with Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse. The film starts at sunset. Bring a picnic, low-back chairs, and blankets to spread out for a fun cinema experience under the stars. Also taking place on August 17.

[rainierartscenter.org](http://rainierartscenter.org)

[facebook.com/rainierartscenter](https://facebook.com/rainierartscenter)

Contact: Ben Leiataua, [info@rainierartscenter.org](mailto:info@rainierartscenter.org)

### ***The Merchant of Venice***

**July 21, Sunday at 6 p.m.**

#### **Roxhill Park**

Part fairy tale, part critical observation of the social scene, with a bit of Shakespearean goofiness thrown in for good measure. This curious and complex play is performed by the nationally awarded Young Shakespeare Workshop's Revolving Company. Bring a picnic and dine with the Doge, no gondola required! Also taking place on August 10 and 11.

[youngshakespeare.org](http://youngshakespeare.org)

Contact: Darren Lay, [youngshakespeareworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:youngshakespeareworkshop@yahoo.com)

### **African Village Experience**

**July 22–26, Monday–Friday, 5–8 p.m.**

#### **Pratt Park**

All ages are welcomed to join in for traditional African dancing, singing, drumming, masks, and arts and crafts. Explore traditional African foods, cloth, artwork design and how the entire experience relates to current societal culture which links all of us in America to Africa.

[facebook.com/events/1006392959458944](https://facebook.com/events/1006392959458944)

Contact: Lakema Bell, [masterofmythoughts@msn.com](mailto:masterofmythoughts@msn.com)

### **Finding Your Bounce**

**July 27, Saturday, 10:30 a.m.–noon**

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### **Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Park**

Come join young teens in Coyote Central's Hit the Streets program as they express through original art and movement how they find resilience in the face of obstacles. An installation of artwork made by 12 young visual artists will be a backdrop to an original theater piece written and choreographed by 12 young performers. Following the performance, the young artists will share their process and insights in a conversation with the community.

[coyotecentral.org/hitthestreets](http://coyotecentral.org/hitthestreets)

[facebook.com/coyotecentral](https://facebook.com/coyotecentral)

Contact: Jess Schwab, [info@coyotecentral.org](mailto:info@coyotecentral.org)

### **Muddy Lotus Arts Festival**

**July 27, Saturday, 1–8 p.m.**

#### **Pritchard Island Beach**

A celebration of health and harmony in the South End! Join us for fun, food, music, and many free workshops including yoga, meditation, painting, clay hand-building, and more. This event is for all ages.

[facebook.com/muddylotusfestival](https://facebook.com/muddylotusfestival)

Contact: Rome Esmaili, [muddylotusfestival@gmail.com](mailto:muddylotusfestival@gmail.com)

### **Caribbean Sea Fest**

**July 28, Sunday, 10 a.m.–7 p.m.**

#### **Jimi Hendrix Park**

The Caribbean Sea Fest brings together the culturally and linguistically diverse members of the Caribbean community in the Pacific Northwest along with those interested in learning about and experiencing Caribbean culture. The theme for this year's festival is "*Solar Energy Powers our Culture and our Future.*" Community members are encouraged to connect with the natural environment. This is a family-oriented event; children are most welcome.

[caribbeanseafest.net](http://caribbeanseafest.net)

Contact: Sharon Cronin, [grupobayano@hotmail.com](mailto:grupobayano@hotmail.com)

### **Opening of *The Memory Murals***

**August 9, Friday, 5:30–7:30 p.m.**

#### **Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Park**

Celebrate the opening of Erin Shigaki's *The Memory Murals*, over-sized wheat paste murals depicting community members past and present. Walk among these images to learn, preserve, and reclaim stories of Duwamish, Japanese American, and African American communities who were once the main occupants of this neighborhood. (See Public Art Installations for artwork details.)

[purplegatedesign.com](http://purplegatedesign.com)

[instagram.com/purplegatedesign](https://instagram.com/purplegatedesign)

Contact: Erin Shigaki, [erin@purplegatedesign.com](mailto:erin@purplegatedesign.com)

### ***The Merchant of Venice***

**August 10, Saturday at 6 p.m.**

#### **Pritchard Island Beach**

*See July 21 listing for details.*

### **Othello International Festival**

**August 11, Sunday, noon–6 p.m.**

#### **Othello Playground**

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Othello is one of the world's most culturally diverse neighborhoods. The annual Othello International Festival displays the music, art, and dance of the Rainier Valley's rich cultural heritage. Check out the performing arts stage, dozens of booths, art creation stations where artists will help you create, bouncy houses, playgrounds, Othello's signature petting zoo with a live camel, and much more.

[othellopark.org](http://othellopark.org)

[facebook.com/othelloparkalliance](https://facebook.com/othelloparkalliance)

Contact: Mona Lee, [mona\\_lee@centurylink.net](mailto:mona_lee@centurylink.net)

### ***The Merchant of Venice***

**August 11, Sunday at 6 p.m.**

**Pritchard Island Beach**

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### **ANiMA Fest**

**August 17, Saturday, 5:30–9:30 p.m.**

**Pritchard Island Beach**

ANiMA Fest is a multimedia arts festival presenting artists from across the Asian Diaspora. The festival will include live music and dance, with a featured performance of projected animations and shadow dancing on an interactive altar. A night market will showcase local Asian designers, visual artists and immersive installations. Join us for a celebration of ancestry, contemporary interpretations of cultural traditions, and community belonging.

[misstangq.com/animafest2019](http://misstangq.com/animafest2019)

Contact: Huameng Yu, [misstangq@gmail.com](mailto:misstangq@gmail.com)

### **Cinema Under the Stars**

**August 17, Saturday, 7–10 p.m.**

**Columbia Park**

The film for this event will be determined by community poll.

*See July 20 listing for details.*

### **Festival Centroamericano**

**August 18, Sunday, 9–8 p.m.**

**Westcrest Park**

Festival Centroamericano unites Central American communities and celebrates their contributions to Seattle. Our mission is to strengthen the voices of immigrant and refugee Central Americans by reclaiming and affirming cultural and linguistic identities. Through Festival Centroamericano, we will embrace our diverse heritage, educate youth and the public, and showcase the art, music, dance, and food of various cultures within the seven Central American countries.

[festivalcentroamericano.org](http://festivalcentroamericano.org)

### **Sabar in the Park 2019**

**August 24, Saturday, 1–7 p.m.**

**Westcrest Park**

Community participants will experience an all-inclusive unique arts festival featuring traditional Senegambian West African music played by world-renowned master artists. Sabar in the Park includes dance, drum classes, and storytelling. Please don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity!

[thefeminineessence.com](http://thefeminineessence.com)

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### **Bike-In Movie and Art in the Park**

**August 29, Thursday, 6–10 p.m.**

#### **Pratt Park**

Bike Works is holding an event for youth and families designed to bring the community together to enjoy cultural entertainment while promoting healthy activity and community connection. The event will include music and art activities before the film.

[bikeworks.org/calendar](http://bikeworks.org/calendar)

[facebook.com/events/1335851236539876](https://facebook.com/events/1335851236539876)

Contact: Deb Salls, [info@bikeworks.org](mailto:info@bikeworks.org)

### **Sistas Rock the Arts in the Park**

**August 31, Saturday, 3–7 p.m.**

#### **Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Park**

The Sistas Rock the Arts collective is coming to Lavizzo Park to present and showcase our talented and fabulous local artists. Come out for an evening full of music, spoken word, dance, and a variety of art.

[facebook.com/sistasrockthearts](https://facebook.com/sistasrockthearts)

Contact: Nichelle Alderson and La Tanya Horace, [sistasrockthearts@gmail.com](mailto:sistasrockthearts@gmail.com)

### **Sabar in the Park 2019**

**September 7, Saturday, 1–7 p.m.**

#### **Westcrest Park**

*See August 24 listing for details.*

### **Roxhill Park World Music Festival**

**September 7, Saturday, 2–7 p.m.**

#### **Roxhill Park**

Join the Roxhill Park community in celebration of its diversity! Enjoy the sounds of musicians sharing their music and music-based traditions.

[roxhillpark.org](http://roxhillpark.org)

Contact: Roxhill Park Champions, [info@roxhillpark.org](mailto:info@roxhillpark.org)

### **Social Circus Bounce Back to School**

**September 21, Saturday, 3–6 p.m.**

#### **Othello Playground**

Teens from the SANCA Social Circus program will host a community circus party to kick off the new school year. Guests will enjoy performances by SANCA students and other artists, play carnival style circus games, and work with SANCA coaches to cross the tightwire. This event is free and for all ages to try circus arts in the park.

[sancaseattle.org](http://sancaseattle.org)

Contact: Manjit Golden, [outreach@sancaseattle.org](mailto:outreach@sancaseattle.org)

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### Series

#### **Rainier Avenue Radio Cultural Dance Series**

**May 10, 17, 24, and 31**

**Fridays, 5:30–7:30 p.m.**

**Pritchard Island Beach**

Join RainierAvenueRadio.World's Cultural Dance Series in Rainier Beach. Each Friday for four weeks, dancers of all ages are invited to come learn dance styles rooted in traditional ethnic cultures such as East African, Vietnamese, Laotian, Cuban, Brazilian, and African American. Each dance session will include historic storytelling of the dance's origins with related music, food, and more.

[rainieravenueradio.world](http://rainieravenueradio.world)

[facebook.com/events/1230100383831217](https://facebook.com/events/1230100383831217)

Contact: Karen Zammit, [rainieravenueradio.world@gmail.com](mailto:rainieravenueradio.world@gmail.com)

#### **Percussion in the Park**

**June 1–June 22**

**Saturdays, 2–5 p.m.**

**Pratt Park**

Feel the beat. Play the beat. Move your feet! Drumming and dance workshops offer the community the opportunity to hear, learn, play, dance, and bring Pratt Park alive with West African percussion rhythms, led by Thione Diop. Participants will learn powerful rhythms on Djembe, Sabar, or Senegalese talking drums and dances that match the rhythms. Instructors representing the African diaspora will lead joyful and energetic 1-hour dance classes following each drumming workshop.

[thionediop.com](http://thionediop.com)

Contact: Thione Diop, [thionediopmusic@gmail.com](mailto:thionediopmusic@gmail.com)

#### **Music in the Mini Park**

**June 12–August 14, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

**Lake City Mini Park**

The annual Music in the Mini Park is a series of 10 music and dance performances expressing cultural traditions and local music.

[enjoylakecity.org](http://enjoylakecity.org)

Contact: Chris Levenson, [chris.levenson@CHS-WA.org](mailto:chris.levenson@CHS-WA.org)

#### **Arts for All Workshops**

**June 26–July 31**

**Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 12:30–2 p.m.**

**Albert Davis Park**

Join us for free intergenerational arts workshops this summer in Lake City! Arts for All Workshops are open to the public on a drop-in basis. The workshops will allow you to experience different art forms

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under the guidance of Silver Kite's teaching artists. Please check our website for a detailed schedule of workshop titles.

[silverkite.us/upcoming-events](http://silverkite.us/upcoming-events)

Contact: Jen Kulik, [info@silverkite.us](mailto:info@silverkite.us)

### **Tap Into Your Inner Beat**

**July 9–August 1**

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, noon–4 p.m.**

#### **Beer Sheva Park**

Discover artistic freedom through storytelling, dance and drumming! Tap into your inner beat as we explore rhythms and beats of African, hip-hop and contemporary dance, including conversations that explore and define the historical and social impact of dance.

[nwtapconnection.org](http://nwtapconnection.org)

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### Just for Kids!

#### **Park in the Heart**

**May 25–June 29**

**Saturdays, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.**

**July 5–July 26 (excluding July 12)**

**Fridays, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.**

#### **Ballard Commons Park**

Come to Park in the Heart, where there is always something fun to do and learn! Join us for free art lessons, learn new skills, and create fun projects to take home.

[blancasantander.com](http://blancasantander.com)

[facebook.com/blancasantanderart](https://facebook.com/blancasantanderart)

Contact: Blanca Santander, [blanca@blancasantander.com](mailto:blanca@blancasantander.com)

#### **THIRST**

THIRST is a 15-week event series in its third year in Seattle parks. Every Friday starting May 31, queer femme DJs will cut it up at different parks. THIRST is all about visibility, accessibility, and centering the artists who have to work the hardest.

Contact: Joy Ma, [thirstbyplaythey@gmail.com](mailto:thirstbyplaythey@gmail.com)

#### **Cal Anderson Park**

May 31, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

June 7, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

June 14, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

July 5, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

July 12, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

August 2, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

August 9, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

September 6, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

#### **Judkins Park**

June 21, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

June 28, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

July 19, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

#### **Powell Barnett Park**

July 26, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

August 16, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

August 23, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

August 30, Friday, 5–10 p.m.

**Inspired Child presents Love, Power & Purpose**



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Explore the power of our words and movements through spoken word, dance, art, and activism. This program is a four-week intensive workshop at Judkins Park comprised of dance and poetry workshops and art projects. It will culminate in a finale performance and the self-publishing of Vol. 4 of the Love, Power & Purpose Chapbook featuring participant poetry. All ages are welcome at our four open mics. Preference will be given to performers 12 and under. Family performances are encouraged!

[inspiredchild.org](http://inspiredchild.org)

[facebook.com/inspiredchildcommunity](https://facebook.com/inspiredchildcommunity)

Contact: Monique Franklin, [inspiredchildcommunity@gmail.com](mailto:inspiredchildcommunity@gmail.com)

### **Spoken Word, Tap Dance, Art, & Activism Workshops:**

#### **Judkins Park**

July 9–August 1, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2–5 p.m.

### **Open Mics:**

#### **Flo Ware Park**

July 6, Saturday, 3–5 p.m.

#### **Pratt Park**

July 13, Saturday, 3–5 p.m.

#### **Powell Barnett Park**

July 20, Saturday, 3–5 p.m.

#### **Judkins Park**

July 27, Saturday, 3–5 p.m.

### **Back to School Picnic**

**August 4, Sunday, 11a.m.–8 p.m.**

#### **Powell Barnett Park**

The Back to School Eritrean Youth & Family Picnic will be a day full of field games, cultural dancing, youth sports, educational resources, and fun for the entire family. This event is to bring youth and families together for family engagement and school readiness.

[ercommunity.org](http://ercommunity.org)

Contact: The Eritrean Community Center, [ercommunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:ercommunitycenter@gmail.com)

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### Public Art Installations

#### ***Power of Art Love Music***

**May 24–June 22**

##### **Duwamish Waterway Park**

This project shows the power of art, economics, and the environment in the community. Love and music play an important part in the community's way of life. Both play a key role in diverse and ethnic cultural, religious, and social activity.

Artist: Gwen Jones

power.of.art.love.music@gmail.com

#### ***Bring Back the Salmon***

**June 21–November 19**

##### **Alki Beach Park near the Bathhouse**

We honor our relatives the salmon and recognize that it is past time we help them return in abundance to these waters. This work is presented as a rain activated ground mural.

Artists: Ezra Dickinson and Nahaan

baldieoner@hotmail.com

#### ***Above Water***

**July 21–August 30**

##### **Judkins Park**

Apple Snails are large freshwater snails that can be found throughout the world. To protect their eggs against underwater prey, several types of apple snails deposit their eggs above the waterline of ponds, swamps, and rivers they inhabit. Kalina Chung challenges you to look above your own footpath to find them all. (See Events for July 21 event details.)

Artist: Kalina Chung

kalinachung.com

kalinachung@gmail.com

#### ***Quetzalcoatl***

**August 3–August 24**

##### **Albert Davis Park**

Quetzalcoatl, also known as the Feathered Serpent, is the Aztec god of creation and the patron god of learning and knowledge. Wood feathers painted by community members form the ornamental exterior of a large sculpture of Quetzalcoatl. Each feather will reflect each person's own culture and experience, but together form a whole. In this way we will learn about each other and share in a unified vision of community.

Artist: Angie Hinojos Yusuf

angieyusuf@yahoo.com

#### ***Windows to the Life of Al Larkins***

**August 3–November 7**

##### **Alvin Larkins Park**

This installation depicts Al Larkins' life and activities in the community.

Artist: Esther Ervin

instagram.com/ervincreative

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### ***The Memory Murals***

**August 6–September 29**

#### **Dr. Blanche Lavizzo Park**

Erin Shigaki will enhance concrete surfaces with over-sized wheat paste murals depicting community members past and present. Walk among these images to learn, preserve, and reclaim stories of Duwamish, Japanese American, and African American communities who were once the main occupants of this neighborhood. (See Events for August 9 event details.)

Artist: Erin Shigaki

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### ***Welcome Immigrants***

**September 1–October 31**

#### **University Playground**

You are welcome here! No matter your origin, artist Elise Koncsek wants you to feel at home in Seattle! Welcome Immigrants is a bi-directional poem, translated into several languages, created to strengthen community across diversity.

Artist: Elise Koncsek

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